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Enclosed herewith for filing is a new patent application entitled

FUEL TANK ASSEMBLY

This application is being filed pursuant to the revised Rules of Practice effective February 27, 1983 by the undersigned attorney of the applicants. It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a filing date of August 5, 2003 pursuant to the "Express Mail" (EV 331393915 US) provision of 37 C.F.R. §1.10 as amended.

The name and address of the inventors of the subject matter of the enclosed patent application are as follows:

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We await receipt of a filing date and serial-number for this application.

Respectfully.

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